

WEST LAFAYETTE FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Re: February 2013 Report

To: West Lafayette Common Council

From: Chief Timothy J. Heath

Call totals: West Lafayette Fire responded to 122 Total Calls in January : 83 Medical, 2 Fire, 2 Hazardous Conditions, 11 Service Calls, 6 Good Intent Calls, and 18 False Alarms.

Training: Medical Training for the month of February consisted of Annual SIDS (sudden infant death syndrome) and blood Borne pathogens.

All three shifts have been touring buildings and new construction throughout the city. The new IU Arnett medical facility and Faith West have been reviewed by all shifts. Crews are working on pre-plans of those buildings and should have a working knowledge of the buildings prior the end of construction.

Why does the West Lafayette Fire Department have a training schedule every day?

In 2011, U.S. fire departments responded to an estimated 1,389,500 fires. These fires caused 3,005 civilian deaths and 17,500 civilian injuries. In the same year, 61 firefighters were fatally injured while on duty. Fire claimed 8.4 lives per day. Reference: NFPA

On average, a fire department within the United States responded to:

A fire every 23 seconds,

A structure fire every 65 seconds,

An outside fire every 46 seconds,

And a vehicle fire every 144 seconds.

Timothy J. Heath

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Timothy J. Heath".
Fire Chief